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Office of Deaf Services

ANNOUNCEMENT

Commission Meeting

November 19th, 2010

10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Lucas State Office Building
2nd floor, Conference Room 201
321 E. 12th Street
Des Moines, IA

Meeting Agenda
is posted on our website:

www.deafservices.iowa.gov/commission/agenda.html

DSCI Commission has 5 committees:

- Mental Health
- Legal
- Interpreters Competency Standards
- Youth
- Services for Hard of Hearing

Commissioners would like to hear from you about any of these five issues. There are two ways:

1. Come to our commission meeting and share your concerns or comments during public comment or
2. Contact DSCI's Commission Chair, Theresa Legg, C/O DSCI dhr.dsci@iowa.gov must be 14 days in advance.

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CHECK OUT OUR TWO NEW VLOGS IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

www.deafservices.iowa.gov



Heating bills high?

House cold all winter?

How to make house warmer?

The two new vlogs will introduce two programs in American Sign Language called

- Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Weatherization Assistance Program

It's also captioned.

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21st Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010

President Barack Obama signed a new law the 21st Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act. It will enable 36 million deaf and hard of hearing people to participate in the Internet age by ensuring captioning of television programs on the Internet. The Act requires a closed caption button on television remote controls and on-screen menus and that telephone equipment used to make calls over the Internet is compatible with hearing aids. It also requires the restoring of video audible description rules, making TV program guides and selection menus accessible, have access to televised emergency programming and communications equipment for individuals who are deaf-blind as well.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Deaf Capitol Day

Deaf and Hard of Hearing students from East High School, Des Moines will be hosting Deaf Capitol Day on
March 7, 2011

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



11/05: 6:00 pm: American Sign Language Social hosted by Deaf Awareness and DMACC located at [ALL-Play](#) 615 - 3rd Street, Des Moines. Games, eat and drink.

11/19: 10 am—3:00 pm: DSCI Commission Meeting located at Lucas State Office Building, 2nd floor, Conference Room 201, 321 E. 21st Street, Des Moines.



Mary Poppins

Civic Center of Greater Des Moines

There will be Interpreters at the two shows listed below.

Sunday, December 5th, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 9th, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

Ticket Information:

<http://www.civiccenter.org/>

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